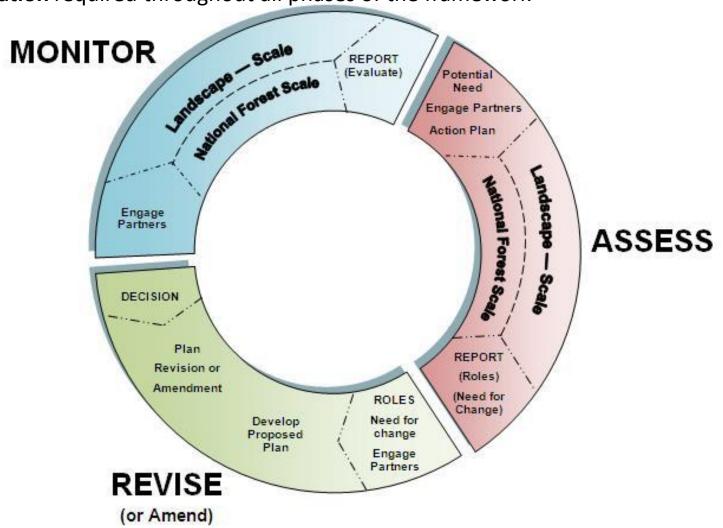
Framework

Collaboration required throughout all phases of the framework



Assessments

Existing information must be gathered for 15 items:

- Terrestrial ecosystems, aquatic ecosystems, and watersheds
- Air, soil, and water resources and quality
- System drivers, including ecological processes, disturbance regimes, and stressors (natural succession, wildland fire, invasive species, and climate change) and the ability of terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems on the plan area to adapt to change
- Baseline assessment of carbon stocks

Assessments

- Threatened, endangered, proposed, and candidate species, and potential species of conservation concern present in the plan area
- Social, cultural, and economic conditions
- Benefits people obtain from the NFS planning area (ecosystem services)
- Multiple uses and their contributions to local, regional, and national economies
- Recreation settings, opportunities and access, and scenic character

Assessments

- Renewable and nonrenewable energy and mineral sources
- Infrastructure, such as recreational facilities and transportation and utility corridors
- Areas of tribal importance
- Cultural and historic resources and uses
- Land status and ownership, use, and access patterns
- Existing and designated areas located in the plan area including wilderness and wild and scenic rivers and potential need and opportunity for additional designated areas